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## Fire Restrictions To Be Implemented In Southeastern Utah

Utah ... The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and Utah State Division of Forestry, Fire and State Lands (DFFSL) have implemented fire restrictions on three major river ways. The hot and dry weather has dried vegetation and raised fire potential.

The river corridors that will be under fire restriction include; the Green River (from Swasey Beach to Canyonlands National Park), the Colorado River (from the Colorado/Utah border to Canyonlands National Park) and the San Juan River (from Bluff to Glen Canyon National Recreation Area).

The following acts are prohibited on the area, roads, and trails, described below until rescinded by the BLM and DFFSL.

- 1. Setting, building, maintaining, attending, or using open fire of any kind (including charcoal) except as otherwise authorized. Devices fueled by petroleum or liquid propane gas (LPG) products are allowed in all locations.
- 2. Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle, camp trailer, or building, or while stopped in an area at least three feet in diameter that is barren or cleared to mineral soil.
- 3. Discharging, or using any kind of fireworks, tracer ammunition, or other incendiary devices in any location on federal lands. (Note that these acts are always prohibited on federal lands.)
- 4. Operating a motorcycle, chainsaw, ATV, or other types of small engines without an approved and working spark arrester.

All other fire restrictions, or necessary exemptions to the restrictions, will be handled through local "permits" issued by the responsible agency(ies) for that purpose. Commercial river outfitters may continue to have fires contained in fire pans on open beaches as specified in their permits.

This order is effective 12:00 a.m., 9th day of July 2008 and will remain in effect until rescinded.

For additional information, please go to website <u>www.utahfireinfo.gov</u> or call Heather O'Hanlon @ 435-259-2184.

Do your part. Don't start wildfires.